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Synapses Firing : Connections Made

May 7, 2011

Main Location:

Sue and Bill Gross Stem Cell Research Center, UC-Irvine (UCI)

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CIRM Patient Advocacy Day & Stem Cell Update on Neurodegenerative Diseases

Agenda:

9:00 AM:

Registration and Continental Breakfast; Patient Advocate Display Tables

10:00 AM:

"An Overview of UC-Irvine's Stem Cell Program and Stem Cell Basics"

Peter J. Donovan, Ph.D., Director, Sue and Bill Gross Stem Cell Research Center, UC-Irvine

Welcome and Keynote Presentation, "CIRM's Investment in Neurodegenerative Diseases"

Leeza Gibbons, CIRM ICOC Governing Board, Alzheimer's Disease Patient Advocate;
the Leeza Gibbons Memory Foundation

"The Faces of Neurodegenerative Disease"

Neal S. Hermanowicz, M.D., Neurologist, Movement Disorder Program,
Department of Neurology, UC-Irvine

Patient Advocate Spotlight: Serge Morales and Susan Franklin

"Using Stem Cells to Understand and Treat Neurodegeneration, including Alzheimer's Disease and Huntington's Disease"

Mathew Mark Blurton-Jones, Ph.D., Neurology and Behavior, School of Biological Sciences,
Institute for Memory Impairments and Neurological Disorders (UCI-MIND), UC-Irvine

Patient Advocate Spotlight: Evan Henry

"Stem Cells and Parkinson's Disease"

Birgitt Schuele, M.D., Clinical Molecular Geneticist, the Parkinson's Institute and Clinical Center,
Sunnyvale

Complimentary Lunch

Patient Advocate Spotlight: Bill Johnston

"Using Stem Cells to Model Neurodegenerative Diseases in Huntington's Disease and Spinal Muscular Atrophy"

Virginia B. Mattis, Ph. D., Regenerative Medicine Institute at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center,
Los Angeles

Patient Advocate Sharing Sessions

2:00 PM

Program Concludes

Video recordings of this conference are available here.

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